

### Remarks

Claims 1-16, and 22-25 remain active in the application. Claims 17-21 have been withdrawn.

The Examiner has imposed a restriction requirement between the inventions of:

- I. Communications apparatus of claims 1-8;
- II. CDMA communication system and method of claims 9-16 and 22-25;
- III. Mach-Zehnder detector of claims 17-19; and
- IV. Fiber dispersion compensator of claims 20 and 21.

Applicant elects Invention II.


Claims 17-21 have been withdrawn.

Claim 1 has been amended to a form which should be included within Invention II.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would be helpful, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number, which is on California time.

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